

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A lamp comprising at least one lead rod and a plurality of filaments, wherein the plurality of filaments is arranged around the lead rod so that each lead rod has two filaments located on essentially diametrically opposite sides thereof and wherein groups of three filaments are arranged so that each of the three filaments is located at a point of a triangle which lies on a plane which is normal to and intersective with the lead rod.

2. (Previously presented) A lamp as claimed in claim 1, wherein the lamp comprises a plurality of filament structure elements, each of the filament structure elements having the plurality of filaments, and wherein the lamp comprises a plurality of the lead rods, wherein one of the plurality of the lead rods is connected to each of the plurality of filament structure elements.

3. (Previously presented) A lamp as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least a predetermined number of the plurality of filaments are serially connected.

4. (Previously presented) A lamp as claimed in claim 3, further comprising a plurality of support wires which have hook portions which each hook a portion of a single wire from which the predetermined number of serially connected filaments are formed and which is between two of the serially connected filaments.

5. (Previously presented) A lamp as claimed in claim 2, further comprising windings which are wound from a single wire from which the predetermined number of serially connected filaments are formed, and which are located at each end of the single wire.

6. (Previously presented) A lamp as claimed in claim 1, comprising a single wire, the single wire being wound at a number of locations to form a number of the serially connected filaments and further wound to form a winding at each end.

7. (Previously presented) A lamp as claimed in claim 6, wherein the winding at each end of the single wire from which serially connected filaments are formed, is axially displaced with respect to the serially connected filaments, so that each winding is located closer to a glass piece that connects the lead rods than the serially connected filaments.